

**Senate Commerce, Labor & Agriculture Committee Amendment No. 1,  
As amended**

**Amendment No. 1 to SB0810**

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 810\***

**House Bill No. 1222**

By deleting language after the caption and by substituting instead the following:

WHEREAS, the state of Tennessee is blessed with a bounty of natural  
resources; and

WHEREAS, farming is a noble and vital profession within the state of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, an important part of modern farming is the use of pesticides; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the potential threat to human life and health that any  
misapplication of pesticides may precipitate; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is concerned equally with protecting the livelihood of  
farming, the health of farmers, and the health of members of the rural general public; now,  
therefore,

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:**

SECTION 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Tennessee Aerial  
Spraying Protection Act of 2003".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 43-8-302, is amended by designating  
the existing language as subsection (a) and by adding a new subsection thereto, as follows:

(b) It is the intent of the general assembly by enacting this law to ensure that  
farming with pesticides is done in a safe manner without unnecessary threat to human  
life and health. This part should be interpreted to further this end.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 43, Chapter 8, Part 3, is amended by  
adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

Section 43-8-310.

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The department of agriculture shall maintain a current registry of pesticide-sensitive persons, certified organic farms and beekeepers. Upon request, the department of agriculture shall register any person who pays annually a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) registration fee and submits a statement certifying such person has organic farm or beekeeper status or certification from a physician stating the person's sensitivity to pesticides. The department of agriculture shall notify all licensed aerial applicators twice yearly – before and mid-spraying season – or more often if necessary, of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of those persons registered with the department of agriculture as beekeepers, organic farmers and pesticide sensitive. This notification shall include the following language:

**Prior to aerially applying pesticides, the Department of Agriculture encourages those persons receiving this registry to contact, using any reasonable means possible, those registered in the location where pesticides will be aerially applied.**

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.